

EWA Technical Review Panel Meeting Agenda

CA Bay-Delta Authority
Bay-Delta Room
Sacramento, California
November 8-10, 2004

Day 1 (November 8, 2004)

Introduction:

1:00 - 1:10 Welcome and review of the Technical Panel charge. Johnnie Moore (CBDA)

Review of the first four years:

1:10 – 1:30 The EWA as a component of CALFED's ecosystem protection and water supply reliability programs: past, present, and future. Diana Jacobs (DFG)

1:30 – 1:50 The EWA concept as envisioned in the ROD versus what we have realized four years later. Dave Fullerton (MWDSC)

1:50 – 2:15 Results and conclusions from the assessment of EWA effects on water supply reliability, water project conveyance and yields, and the water transfers market. Jerry Johns (DWR)

2:15 – 2:40 Panel/Speaker question and answer

2:40 – 3:00 Break

3:00 – 3:30 The emerging delta smelt life history model and the implications for EWA. Bill Bennett (UCD)

3:30 – 4:00 Results and conclusions from the assessment of EWA effects on delta smelt at the individual and population level. Kevin Fleming (DFG)

4:00 – 4:30 The emerging conceptual model for water project effects on young salmon survival through the Delta. Pat Brandes (FWS)

4:30 – 5:00 Results and conclusions from the assessment of EWA effects on Salmonids at the individual and population level. Jim White (DFG)

5:00 – 5:30 Panel/Speaker question and answer

5:30 – 6:00 Audience/Panel/Speaker question and answer

Day 2 (November 9, 2004)

Review of the first four years, continued:

Responding to previous recommendations of the EWA Review Panel

- 8:00 – 8:20 An examination of agency responses to the Technical Panel recommendations: what we did and didn't do and why. Jim White (DFG)
- 8:20 – 8:40 Integration between ERP and EWA: How are these programs working to meet the goal of restoring at risk fish species? Dan Castleberry (CBDA)
- 8:40 – 9:00 Coordination and integration among four programs for environmental water. Roger Guinee (FWS)
- 9:00 – 9:20 Panel/Speaker question and answer

Insights and perspectives after the first four years of EWA operation

- 9:20 – 9:40 Working at the interface of policy and science: the evolving dynamic between prescriptive standards and flexible tools to ensuring protection of threatened and endangered species. Wayne White (FWS)
- 9:40 – 10:00 Insights on the use of science practices and principles in EWA planning and implementation. Larry Brown (USGS)
- 10:00 – 10:20 Science Advisor's perspectives on the ecological effects of EWA and the use of science in EWA implementation. Wim Kimmerer (SFSU)

10:20 – 10:35 Break

10:35 – 11:00 Panel/Speaker question and answer

Stakeholder perspectives on the first four years of EWA implementation

- 11:00 – 11:10 The environmental community. Tina Swanson (BI)
- 11:10 – 11:20 The urban water community. Steve Macaulay (CUWA)
- 11:20 – 11:30 The agricultural water community. BJ Miller
- 11:30 – 11:40 The in-Delta water community. Richard Denton (CCWD)
- 11:40 – 12:00 Panel/Speaker question and answer
- 12:00 – 12:30 Audience/Panel/Speaker question and answer

12:30 – 1:45 Lunch

Continuing the EWA “experiment”:

Next steps and information inputs

- 1:45 – 2:05 EWA program implementation over the next three years and planning for the longer term: approach, rationale, resources, and responsibilities. Jerry Johns (DWR)
- 2:05 – 2:35 Technical tools and information used in planning a longer-term EWA: evaluating water supply, transfers, and operational issues. Curt Spencer (DWR)
- 2:35 – 3:05 Technical tools and information used in planning a longer-term EWA: evaluating environmental water needs for the protection and recovery of at risk fish species. Roger Guinee (FWS)
- 3:05 – 3:35 Panel/Speaker question and answer

3:35 – 3:50 Break

Science needs for the continuing EWA

- 3:50 – 4:05 Science needs for the continuing EWA: priorities and commitments from the implementing agencies. Perry Herrgesell (DFG)
- 4:05 – 4:20 Science needs for the continuing EWA: priorities and commitments from the Science Program. Johnnie Moore (CBDA)
- 4:20 – 4:40 Panel/Speaker question and answer
- 4:40 – 5:15 Audience/Panel/Speaker question and answer

Day 3 (November 10, 2004)

Initial report from the EWA Technical Review Panel:

10:00 – 11:00 Oral report of initial findings and recommendations from the EWA Technical Review Panel.

11:00 – 12:00 Open question and answer